

M. U.'S FIRST VALEDICTORY WAS PROPHECY

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on the earth where our lot shall lead us there will ever be one subject in common, one theme on which we shall all have a fellow-feeling, a living sympathy.

It is this spot. Around it our affections must ever entwine themselves and amidst all the bitterness of worldly strife or all the clashing of rival interests, we may withdraw ourselves from the cares and troubles that harass us to mingle in sweet intercourse around this place, to recall the events which have transpired here, and to revive the memory of those who meet with us no longer. Though there should be no other, this must ever remain a subject of fellow-feeling, and "wherever else we may be strangers, here we are all at home." But there is one tie dearer, higher, holier. It is that, my fellow graduate, which has been formed with you. Of a kindred stock, united yet more firmly by kindred feelings and by kindred interests, this bond has grown in strength and depth from other causes. Of a number of ambitious, aspiring youths, who with us commenced the race for literary honors, we two alone are permitted to stand here this day at the completion of our collegiate career. Some we have already seen make their entrance upon the broad theater of action—others it has been our melancholy duty to pay the tribute due to departed worth—to drop a tear over the tomb of a departed friend and classmate, and while we stand thus alone, it is natural that we should be bound together by a nearer tie. This day, too, is the great dividing line of our lives; it is to separate the past from what's to come; it breaks up all those dear relations we have heretofore sustained, and throws us forth to enter upon those which shall be more permanent, and to commence that course of usefulness, perhaps amidst other scenes, for which our previous education has been designed to qualify us, and which our situation, society and the age so imperiously demand at our hands. The past with all its mingled pain and pleasure, with all its freshness of youthful feeling and exuberance of youthful spirits, is gone. The future with its dim uncertainty is before us. What that future will be to each of us, is to be the result in a great degree of our own actions. Be it what it may it can never tear from us the recollection of the past. This has been treasured up in our memory and embalmed. For our own future success we shall be indebted to the labors and cares which you, gentlemen, have diligently bestowed upon us. In the high vocation which you have chosen, a duty, the most important as well as the most arduous, devolves upon you. It is to write upon the spotless tablet of the human mind those characters which must influence the character of the man for good or evil. Yours is the noblest of professions. You take the virgin mind of youth and turn out the finished product, the educated, useful man. It is you who stamp the character of a whole people; and vain is all opposition, while your precepts and your principles are silently sinking into the young mind and taking deep hold of the springs of action; for all the barriers of prejudice, of custom, sanctioned though it be by ages, shall ultimately be swept away before the resistless torrent of a current popular opinion. This opinion it is for you to form, and those sentiments which are early implanted in the susceptible mind must influence the actions of the individuals, and their full effect be seen only after ages. Thus the power which you wield may greatly advance the cause of human progress, and may hasten the time so earnestly desired by every friend of humanity, when man shall understand and shall fulfill the whole purpose of his being. To you, sir, called to preside over the destinies of an institution struggling through the incipient stages of existence, is delegated the pleasing difficult task of directing its course, of forming its character and of conducting it safely and speedily to that eminence to which its location and the hopes of its friends entitle it to aspire. And onerous as are the responsibilities incumbent upon you, the reward this prompt and faithful discharge will be in direct proportion. The eyes of a great state are now directed to this rising temple, and fond anticipations of its future efficiency and usefulness are entertained by thousands of anxious friends. Of properly and successfully administered, its progress must be commensurate with that of the giant state whose name it bears, and to every citizen throughout the broad valley of the west must be equally dear the name of the institution and of him who first took the helm and conducted in safety to the desired haven this gallant barque richly freighted with the hopes of men. Your name must be connected with its success, and wide as its sphere of usefulness must your fame extend. Its honor must be your honor, and this will be found enshrined in the hearts of those favored individuals who have drunk deepest at this fountain of science, and your memorial will be read in the actions of those whose characters you have aided to mould. And under the kind and genial and vivifying influence which you shall exert, there shall many a germ of usefulness spring up, so that the impress of your hand may be seen in the growth and the maturer destinies of coming generations. In the full and devout hope that God may permit you to bring your efforts to a glorious consummation; that you may succeed in placing this institution upon such ground as from its objects it merits; that you may be a chosen, honored instrument of advancing the great cause of human progress; and that you may connect your own name with the securing of the best and highest interests of the race—in our own behalf and in the behalf of my classmate, I tender to you, to your associates and to our fellow-students, an affectionate farewell.

R. L. Todd, Columbia, Mo.

J. H. LATHROP
President Mo. University.
Pronounced at Commencement, Nov. 28, 1843, at my graduation exhibition.
Graduates:
R. L. Todd
R. B. Todd
Faculty Missouri University:
LATHROP
HUBSON
THOMAS
PRATT
LEFFINGWELL

New Book Exchange Is Opened.
The students' book exchange in the Y. M. C. A. Building opened yesterday under the management of R. Ginsburg and S. M. Johnson. The exchange will handle all textbooks used in the University.

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'43 SAW FIRST SENIOR CLASS OF UNIVERSITY

Robert L. Todd and Robert B. Todd, Cousins, of Columbia Were Given Initial Degrees.

BOTH WERE PROMINENT
Robert L. Became President of Curators—Robert B. Judge of Louisiana Supreme Court.

The University's first graduation class, consisting of Robert L. Todd and Robert B. Todd, cousins, and both of Columbia, was graduated seventy-eight years ago.

The degrees were awarded in November 1843. Both men had completed their University work in the spring, but the University's new building was not com-



Robert L. Todd

pleted at the time they finished, and they waited their degrees to be conferred in that building. In November their desire was gratified.

Both took the A. B. degree, the only one then given by the University. Robert L. Todd defeated his cousin in scholastic honors, and so won the privilege of being the University's first valedictorian, and of delivering the first valedictory address, which is printed here-

with in an adjoining column.

Robert L. Todd, called "Little Bob" to distinguish him from Robert B., or "Big Bob," became circuit clerk of Boone County after his graduation, and held



R. B. Todd

that office for twenty years. He then became cashier of the Exchange National Bank, an office which he held until his death in 1898, or for thirty-one years.

These are the only two positions he ever held.

During the latter part of his life he was a member, and then president, of the Board of Curators of the University. Robert B., or "Big Bob," Todd studied law and was admitted to the bar after his graduation. He became judge of the Supreme Court of Louisiana. He died about 1900.

N. T. Gentry is a nephew of Robert L. Todd. He says that Mr. Todd kept an exceptionally complete and well-organized file of papers which tell of his activities in the University. Several of his speeches before the Athenaeum Literary Society, as well as the valedictory address herewith printed, were found among his papers, each with a note giving the date and circumstances of its delivery.

BIBLE COLLEGE GETS PINS

Order Was Given to Local Bookstore in 1914.

The Bible College of Missouri has a pin, designed by Dean G. D. Edwards. A semicircle forms the base, upon which rests a cross. The emblem on the corner stone of the Bible College is used in the pin. Alpha and Omega appear on the arms of the cross and an open Bible is in the center. Gold and black, University colors, form a background, and the emblematic colors of royal purple, red and white, are also used.

Dean Edwards first put in an order for

the pin from a local bookstore in 1914, but after waiting two years he ordered it from another bookstore. After three years this store likewise failed to fill the order. Nine months ago Dean Edwards gave the order to a third firm and has only lately received the pins.

Register Now for Spring Term.
All students who plan to attend the 1921 spring term of the University should file registration blanks with the registrar as soon as possible. After registering, the library, hospital and incidental fee should be paid in person at the secretary's office, Room 111, Academic Hall. All students who have registered for the spring term should make payment of their library, hospital and incidental fees immediately.

Latest Drink, Buttermilk Lemonade.
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